VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT



Tri-Mission Management

Serving the U.S. Missions to France, OECD, & UNESCO

DATE: Mar. 18, 2010

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TO: All Interested American Candidates

SUBJECT: Housing Clerk (Ombudsman)

REISSUE

This announcement is re-issued to read an additional educational requirement

OPEN TO: All Interested American Candidates (See Definitions)

NOTE: ALL ORDINARILY RESIDENT APPLICANTS MUST HAVE THE REQUIRED WORK AND/OR RESIDENCY PERMITS TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION.

POSITION: PC-5255 – Housing Clerk (Ombudsman) LES-06, FP-08 *

OPENING DATE: March 18, 2010

CLOSING DATE: April 1, 2010

WORK HOURS: Full-time: 40 hours/week for AEFMs/NORs

Full-time: 35 hours/week for Ordinarily Residents:

SALARY: Not Ordinarily Resident: \$33,390.00 gross p.a. (starting salary)

Ordinarily Resident: €29,395.00 gross p.a. (starting salary)

The U.S. Embassy in Paris seeks a Housing Clerk (Ombudsman).

BASIC FUNCTION OF POSITION:

The incumbent ensures high quality service and communication with the Tri Missions residents regarding housing matters through close coordination with participating agencies at Post. Serves as the point of contact for all issues and concerns related to housing and coordinates with all concerned sections at the tri Missions as well as outside service providers in order to supply the new occupant with all legitimate support and help. Major duties and responsibilities include:

- The Ombudsman inspects and assesses the condition of apartment before occupancy, to make certain that all work requested by Tri Mission is fully carried out and meets the Tri Mission's standard and customer's satisfaction.
- S/he coordinates and conducts housing orientation after new employees arrive at post in order to help families settle in quickly.
- If renovations are involved, the incumbent assists in selecting materials and to

^{*} Actual grade and salary will be based on the qualifications of the applicant

- guarantee that the selection meets both parties' needs.
- The incumbent remains the liaison with the occupant during their tour for customer service and quality issues with their assigned housing.

QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED:

Note: All applicants must address each selection criterion detailed below with specific and comprehensive information supporting each item.

Education:

High School diploma or equivalent is required. A valid French driving license is required to operate the self-drive motor pool cars.

Prior Work Experience:

Two or three years experience in customer service or related field is required.

Language proficiency:

English (W-R-S), Level -4 – Fluency is required.

Knowledge:

Ability to absorb comprehensive knowledge of U.S. Government overseas housing and office policies including standards and leasing procedures is required. Familiarity with Embassy and State organizational and administrative procedures is required. Knowledge of Microsoft Suite of applications is required.

Skills and abilities:

Strong interpersonal skills when dealing with American family members, local landlords and their representatives, and contractors is required.

SELECTION PROCESS:

When equally qualified, U.S. Citizen Eligible Family Members (AEFMs) and U.S. Veterans will be given preference. Therefore, it is essential that the candidate address the required qualifications above in the application.

ADDITIONAL SELECTION CRITERIA (See Definitions):

- 1. Management will consider nepotism/conflict of interest, budget, and residency status in determining successful candidacy.
- 2. Current employees serving a probationary period are not eligible to apply.
- 3. Currently employed U.S. Citizen EFMs who hold an FMA appointment are ineligible to apply within the first 90 days of their employment.
- 4. Currently employed NORs hired under a Personal Services Agreement (PSA) are ineligible to apply within the first 90 calendar days of their appointment, unless currently hired into a position with a "When Actually Employed" (WAE) work schedule.

TO APPLY:

Interested applicants for this position must submit the following or the application package will not be considered.

- 1. Application for U.S. Federal Employment: SF-171 (hard copies available with HR) or OF 612 or
- 2. A current resume or curriculum vitae in English that provides the same information as an OF-612; plus
- 3. Candidates who claim U.S. Veterans Preference must provide a copy of their DD-214 form with their application;
- 4. Any other documentation (e.g., essays, certificates, awards, copies of degrees earned) that addresses the qualification requirements of the position as listed above.

Evidence of authorization to work in France:

- For a dual national, copy of the European identity card (if not an EFM).
- For a non-French citizen, copy of the carte de séjour with a valid work permit.

SUBMIT APPLICATION TO:

Embassy of the USA Human Resources Office Attn: Genevieve Bayle or Jérôme De La Mater 2 Avenue Gabriel 75382 Paris Cedex 08

POINT OF CONTACT:

TEL: 01-43-12-25-74 or 01-46-12-26-52

FAX: 01-43-12-24-36

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DEFINITIONS:

- 1. Appointment Eligible Family Member (AEFM): An individual who may qualify for a direct-hire Foreign Service appointment on either a family member appointment (FMA; defined below) or a temporary appointment (TEMP; defined below) provided that all of the following criteria are met:
 - (1) U.S. citizen; and
 - (2) The spouse of the sponsoring employee, or a child of the sponsoring employee, who is unmarried and at least 18 years old; and
 - (3) Listed on the travel orders of a sponsoring employee, i.e., a direct-hire Foreign Service, Civil Service, or uniformed services member who is permanently assigned to or stationed abroad at a U.S. mission; and
 - (4) Residing at the sponsoring employee's post of assignment abroad; and
 - (5) Does not receive a U.S. Government retirement annuity or pension from a career in the U.S. Foreign Service or Civil Service.

Other family members or dependents on direct-hire Foreign Service, Civil Service, or uniformed

services member's travel orders are not AEFMs or U.S. citizen EFMs for purposes of 3 FAM 8200.

2. Eligible Family Members:

- (1) Children who are unmarried and under 21 years of age or, regardless of age, are *unmarried* and incapable of self support. The term "children" shall include natural offspring, step-children, adopted children, and those under *permanent* legal guardianship (at least until age 18), or comparable permanent custody arrangement, of the employee or spouse when dependent upon and normally residing with the guardian or custodial party;
- Parents (including stepparents and legally adoptive parents) of the employee or of the spouse, when such parents are at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for support (these parents are not authorized medical travel);
- (3) Sisters and brothers (including stepsisters or stepbrothers, or adoptive sisters or brothers) of the employee, or of the spouse, when such sisters and brothers are at least 51 percent dependent on the employee for support, unmarried and under 21 years of age, or regardless of age, are incapable of self-support (these sisters and brothers are not authorized medical travel; see 3 FAM *3700*); and
- (4) Spouse.
- **3. Member of household (MOH):** An individual who accompanies a sponsoring employee, i.e., a direct-hire Foreign Service, Civil Service, or uniformed services member who is permanently assigned to or stationed abroad at a U.S. mission. An MOH is:
 - (1) Not an EFM; and
 - (2) Not on the travel orders of the sponsoring employee; and
 - (3) Officially declared by the sponsoring U.S. Government employee to the COM as part of his or her household.

An MOH may be a parent, unmarried partner, or other relative or adult child who falls outside the Department's current definition of eligible family member. A MOH may or may not be a U.S. citizen.

- **4.** Ordinarily resident (OR): A foreign national or U.S. citizen who:
 - (1) Is locally resident; and
 - (2) Has legal, permanent resident status within the host country; and
 - (3) Is subject to host-country employment and tax laws.

All OR employees, including U.S. citizens, are compensated in accordance with the local compensation plan (LCP).

5. Not Ordinarily Resident (NOR): An individual who:

- (1) Is not a citizen of the host country; and
- (2) Does not ordinarily reside (see definition of "ordinarily resident" below) in the host country; and
- (3) Is not subject to host-country employment and tax laws; and
- (4) Has a U.S. Social Security Number (SSN).

NOR employees are compensated under a General Schedule or Foreign Service salary schedule, not

under the local compensation plan.

CLOSING DATE FOR THIS POSITION: April 1, 2010 (COB, at 5:00 p.m.)

The US Mission in Paris provides equal opportunity and fair and equitable treatment in employment to all people without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, age, political affiliation, marital status, or sexual orientation. The Department of State also strives to achieve equal employment opportunity in all personnel operations through continuing diversity enhancement programs.

The EEO complaint procedure is not available to individuals who believe they have been denied equal opportunity based upon marital status or political affiliation. Individuals with such complaints should avail themselves of the appropriate grievance procedures, remedies for prohibited personnel practices, and/or courts for relief.

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